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## HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Location: Third and Jefferson Streets, Washington, Franklin County,  
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#### HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Buildings shown are the Mullgardt House on the left and the Ludwig Muench House and drug store on the right.

The Mullgardt house was built ca. 1860. Original owner was Moritz Witzleben. About 1869, it was bought by John ("Christ") Mullgardt (1838-1906) who lived here until his death. The house is two and one-half story brick structure with a stone foundation. Contains fifteen rooms and a full basement. The balcony is cast iron.

Muench House was built ca. 1850s. First floor used as drug store, and as residence for Ludwig Muench on the second. The builder is unknown, but the house is similar in design to the Eitzen and other brick buildings in Washington in the classic tradition. Muench was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany in 1825. Died, probably in Washington, after 1888. Muench attended school in Germany until sixteen, then became an apprentice to learn pharmacy for three and one-half years and "graduated" in Darmstadt. He then clerked in various places in Germany. During the revolution of 1848, he went to Lyons, France, for nine months, returning to Germany in 1849. During the same year, he emigrated to Franklin County, settling on a farm south of Washington where he remained until 1853 when he sold his farm and moved to Washington, opening a drug store. He remained a druggist in Washington, with the exception of the period 1857-1859 when he worked in St. Louis, until sometime after 1888.

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Ralp Gregory, Florida, Missouri.

Goodspeed's History of Franklin.....Counties, Missouri, p. 793.

#### PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp, HABS historian. A master list is available in the [REDACTED] records for MO-1800.